



Red Beast Enterprises, Inc.
dba High Quality Research
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Fort Collins, CO 80525 [REDACTED]

CITATION AND NOTIFICATION OF PENALTY

We believe that you violated the Animal Welfare Act (7 U.S.C. § 2131 et seq.) (AWA), as described below.

Date of Violation: December 10, 2013

9 C.F.R. § 2.31(d)(1)(ix) Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC).

(d) IACUC review of activities involving animals.

(1) In order to approve proposed activities or proposed significant changes in ongoing activities, the IACUC shall conduct a review of those components of the activities related to the care and use of animals and determine that the proposed activities are in accordance with this subchapter unless acceptable justification for a departure is presented in writing; Provided, however, That field studies as defined in part 1 of this subchapter are exempt from this requirement. Further, the IACUC shall determine that the proposed activities or significant changes in ongoing activities meet the following requirements:

(ix) Activities that involve surgery include appropriate provision for preoperative and post-operative care of the animals in accordance with established veterinary medical and nursing practices. All survival surgery will be performed using aseptic procedures, including surgical gloves, masks, sterile instruments, and aseptic techniques. Major operative procedures on non-rodents will be conducted only in facilities intended for that purpose which shall be operated and maintained under aseptic conditions. Non-major operative procedures and all surgery on rodents do not require a dedicated facility, but must be performed using aseptic procedures. Operative procedures conducted at field sites need not be performed in dedicated facilities, but must be performed using aseptic procedures;

You failed to ensure that High Quality Research Protocol 165.009 provided appropriate preoperative and post-operative care for 24 rabbits for survival surgery. Your staff did not monitor animals undergoing anesthesia and surgery for depth and levels of pain in accordance with established veterinary practices. On the date of inspection, two animals died, but you did not conduct necropsies to determine the cause(s) and whether they were related to anesthesia problems or issues arising from pain or distress. Your staff did not conduct appropriate evaluations of the animals following surgery to determine levels of pain and/or distress.



The penalty for the alleged violation(s) described above is \$6,143.